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HOUSE BILL NO. 986

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE BARNES.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the MO HealthNet transformation task force.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 208, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 208.993, to read as follows:

208.993. 1. There is hereby established in the department of social services the “MO HealthNet Transformation Task Force”, which shall consist of sixteen members as follows:

- (1) The director of the department of social services, or his or her designee;**
- (2) The director of the department of health and senior services, or his or her designee;**
- (3) The director of the department of mental health, or his or her designee;**
- (4) Four members of the house of representatives, including two from each political party;**
- (5) Four members of the senate, including two from each political party; and**
- (6) Five members from the Missouri health care community who shall be appointed by the governor with senate approval.**

2. The task force shall make recommendations in a report to the general assembly on improvements that can be made to the state medical assistance health care delivery system. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) Advice on more efficient and cost-effective ways to provide coverage for MO HealthNet participants;**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 **(2) An evaluation of how coverage for MO HealthNet participants can resemble**
19 **that of commercially available health plans while complying with federal Medicaid**
20 **requirements;**

21 **(3) Possibilities for promoting healthy behavior by encouraging patients to take**
22 **ownership of their health care and seek early preventative care;**

23 **(4) Advice on the best manner in which to provide incentives, including a shared**
24 **risk and savings to health plans and providers to encourage cost-effective delivery of care;**
25 **and**

26 **(5) Ways that individuals who currently receive medical care coverage through the**
27 **MO HealthNet program can transition to obtaining their health coverage through the**
28 **private sector.**

29 **3. The task force shall meet at least quarterly and shall submit its recommendations**
30 **and statewide plan for improvements to the MO HealthNet plan to the governor, the**
31 **general assembly, and the director of the department of social services by December thirty-**
32 **first of each year.**

33 **4. Members of the task force shall receive no additional compensation but shall be**
34 **eligible for reimbursement for expenses directly related to the performance of task force**
35 **duties.**

36 **5. The provisions of this section shall expire on May 31, 2024.**

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